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M-Akiba Retail Bond

FAQ

(Frequently Asked Questions)

Dial *889# To Register and Buy

1. What is M-Akiba Retail Bond?

The M-Akiba Bond is a Retail Bond that has been issued by the Government of Kenya (GoK) to raise money to fund infrastructural projects. The bond is available exclusively on phone. A bond is a loan agreement between a borrower (GoK) and the lender (the general public). The money borrowed is paid back after an agreed period.

2. How do I Register and Buy the M-Akiba bond?

To register: Dial *889# and follow the instructions
To buy: Once registered, there are two channels you may use to buy M-Akiba;

- i. Through your Mobile Money Wallet
 - Load your Mobile money account with at least **Kshs.3,000**; (see Q4 for clarification) ensure you factor in the transaction costs.
 - **Dial *889# again** and choose the BUY option
- ii. Through PesaLink;
 - Ensure you are registered for M-Akiba. Dial ***889#** on your phone and follow instructions.
 - Use your preferred bank PesaLink channel, select PesaLink option, choose send money to phone option. Type **0733 889 889** as the phone number, enter amount of bond you wish to purchase. Under reason for payment/narration, enter your **ID** number then submit.
 - You will receive an SMS confirmation from PesaLink and your respective bank
 - You will also receive a confirmation message from CDSC confirming your buy.

You are now on your way to saving with the M-Akiba Bond.

3. What will it cost me to buy the M-Akiba Bond during the offer period (primary market)?

The M-Akiba May Re-open 2 is priced at **1.0247 per unit**. The reason for this is the May issue has been re-opened in-between interest payments. Therefore, with a minimum of Kshs.3,000 you will be allocated 2,927 bond units. (Kshs.3,000/ Kshs. 1.0247 per unit)

The cost of buying M-Akiba bond will also include transaction costs (respective Mobile network operators (MNO) charges -see discounted MNO Charges on the M-Akiba website- www.m-akiba.go.ke. When using PesaLink, charges may vary from bank to bank.

4. What is the interest rate for the M-Akiba Bond?

The interest rate for M-Akiba is 10% per year and is paid twice a year that is, after every six months.

5. When will the Government pay me back my money?

The maturity period of this bond is one year and three months.

You can however, sell before the end of the period by dialing *889# and choosing the sell option.

6. When is the opening and closing date for the current M-Akiba bond?

The current bond issue will be available for purchase between **27th May and 7th June 2019**. If you buy after this period, you will incur additional charges for buying after close of offer in the secondary market.

7. What are the benefits of investing in M-Akiba Retail Bond?

- M-Akiba Bond is a low risk savings/investment product as it is backed by the financial might of the government
- It is affordable at only Kshs.3,000 as the minimum investment
- It is a steady source of income (interest paid every six months)
- The interest income is tax free.
- It is an effective way of saving for the future while earning interest
- Very convenient to buy and sell as everything is done using your phone.
- It is confidential and secure
- You have a guaranteed exit option. That is, you can sell the bond from anywhere within normal trading hours (Weekdays from 9.00am -3.00pm)
- You can transact from anywhere through your mobile phone.

8. Are there any additional costs when buying the M-Akiba bond?

When buying the bond in the offer period, between (27th May and 7th June 2019) the only costs incurred will be mobile money transaction charges. Total cost for secondary buy and sell is 0.335% of the value of the transaction. Normal mobile money and PesaLink transfer charges shall also apply to load or withdraw money from your mobile wallet. To view a detailed M-Akiba Costs and Returns Sheet, log on to www.m-akiba.go.ke.

9. Do I have to open another CDS account if I already have one?

If you already registered for M-Akiba earlier, you already have an M-Akiba CDS account and therefore, you do not need another account. Please note however, that the M-Akiba CDS account is different from the usual shares CDS account

10. Whom can I contact for additional information about M-Akiba bond?

You can call us on **0206900020**. You can also Email us on info@m-akiba.go.ke or visit our website on www.m-akiba.go.ke.

You can also follow us on social media: Twitter - @M_AKIBA2017 Facebook - Makiba Bond. You can visit any Huduma Centre for assistance on information regarding the bond

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